

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA  
SESSION 2011**

**SESSION LAW 2012-40  
HOUSE BILL 235**

AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAWS PERTAINING TO TERMINATION OF PARENTAL RIGHTS TO INCLUDE CONVICTION OF A SEXUALLY RELATED OFFENSE THAT RESULTS IN THE CONCEPTION OF THE JUVENILE AS A BASIS FOR TERMINATION OF PARENTAL RIGHTS.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

**SECTION 1.** G.S. 7B-1111(a) is amended by adding the following subdivision to read:

"(a) The court may terminate the parental rights upon a finding of one or more of the following:

...  
(11) The parent has been convicted of a sexually related offense under Chapter 14 of the General Statutes that resulted in the conception of the juvenile."

**SECTION 2.** This act becomes effective October 1, 2012.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 13<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2012.

s/ Philip E. Berger  
President Pro Tempore of the Senate

s/ Thom Tillis  
Speaker of the House of Representatives

s/ Beverly E. Perdue  
Governor

Approved 11:36 a.m. this 20<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2012

